

Coffee House Circuit to be presented in Snack Bar

by KAY OWENS

The Student Activities Board (SAB) will present a new program, Coffee House Circuit in the Snack Bar Mondays from noon to 1 p.m. beginning Feb. 2, according to Preston Friedley, SAB president.

"Coffee House Circuit originated as an informal gathering to enhance student-faculty communication," Friedley explained. He also said that the activity is designed for professors and students to talk about hobbies, research and general topics of interest.

For example, Dr. Milton Finley, assistant professor of history, and Dr. Norman Dlin, assistant professor of geography, will offer conflicting views of "Peace and the Middle East" Feb. 2. Also, six faculty members in the psychology department are scheduled to discuss "Everything You Always Wanted to Know About Psychology and Were Afraid to Ask in the

Classroom" Feb. 9.

"SHARKS" "Vietnam," "Africa," and "Violence" are general topics planned for future noon-day presentations.

Other types of entertainment include musical performances by various students. Ron Anderson, a sociology major currently employed by Mississippi River Co., will play the guitar and sing Feb. 16.

"Another important aspect of Coffee House Circuit is that SAB is serving free coffee, punch and snacks supplied by Pickett Food Service," Friedley added.

"The program organization entails vast planning to carry on when the new student center is completed," he continued. Friedley concluded that since students are always wanting something to do on campus, this program can only benefit the student body.

Credit in 11 courses to be given in Oxford program this summer

Six hours of undergraduate or graduate credit in 11 courses may be earned from LSUS through the third annual LSUS-Oxford, England program July 5 through Aug. 12, Marilyn Gibson, program coordinator, has announced.

The total travel price of \$1,497.75 includes round-trip air transportation from Shreveport to London, round-trip transportation from London to Oxford, a private room and three meals a day at Queen's College, two lectures each day by Oxford professors, and seminars and excursions by LSUS professors.

IN CONJUNCTION with the program, Ms. Gibson will present a slide show about Oxford at 2 p.m. Sunday (Feb. 1) in the LSUS Science Lecture Auditorium.

Also, in the LSUS library is an exhibit of drawings and paintings done last summer in Oxford by Ann Terzia, LSUS assistant professor of fine arts.

LSUS FACULTY approved for the program are Ms. Terzia; Ms. Gibson, assistant professor of English; and Dr. Bobby E. Tabarlet, dean of the

College of Education.

Students may earn three or six hours in the following independent studies courses: Humanities 195, English 295, English 495, History 295, History 495; Education 5880 (graduate) Education 495 (undergraduate); and Fine Arts 495.

Other classes for credit include Education 7800, comparative education (graduate); Fine Arts 105, introduction to fine arts; and Fine Arts 147, drawing and composition.

EXCURSIONS INCLUDE guided tours of London and Oxford; private coach trips to Stratford-Upon-Avon; Stonehenge and Salisbury Cathedral; four days and three nights in London; and theater and play tickets.

GIBSON SAID the program is open to superior high school students, undergraduates, graduates, and persons interested in taking courses for non-credit.

A \$50 deposit now reserves a place for each interested participant. The total air fare is due May 1.

Library Hot Line

(Editor's note: Beginning this week the Almagest will feature a question-and-answer column on inquiries submitted to the Reference Desk in the University Library. Students and faculty are invited to submit questions to the Library which would be of interest to Almagest readers.)

"DO YOU HAVE COLLEGE CATALOGS FROM OTHER SCHOOLS?"

Indeed, yes — 12 shelves of them. There are catalogs from most of the schools in Louisiana — public, private and vo-tech — and many from Texas. Each of the other 50 states is represented by bulletins from two or more institutions. (The latest catalog from the University of Oklahoma arrived on three microfiche cards; the library's microfiche reader will need to be used for this one.)

Besides the individual catalogs, there are handbooks in the reference section giving information about most colleges and universities, including some books which cover only graduate schools. At least two are guides to schools abroad.

By SGA

Student vote planned

by GARRETT STEARNS

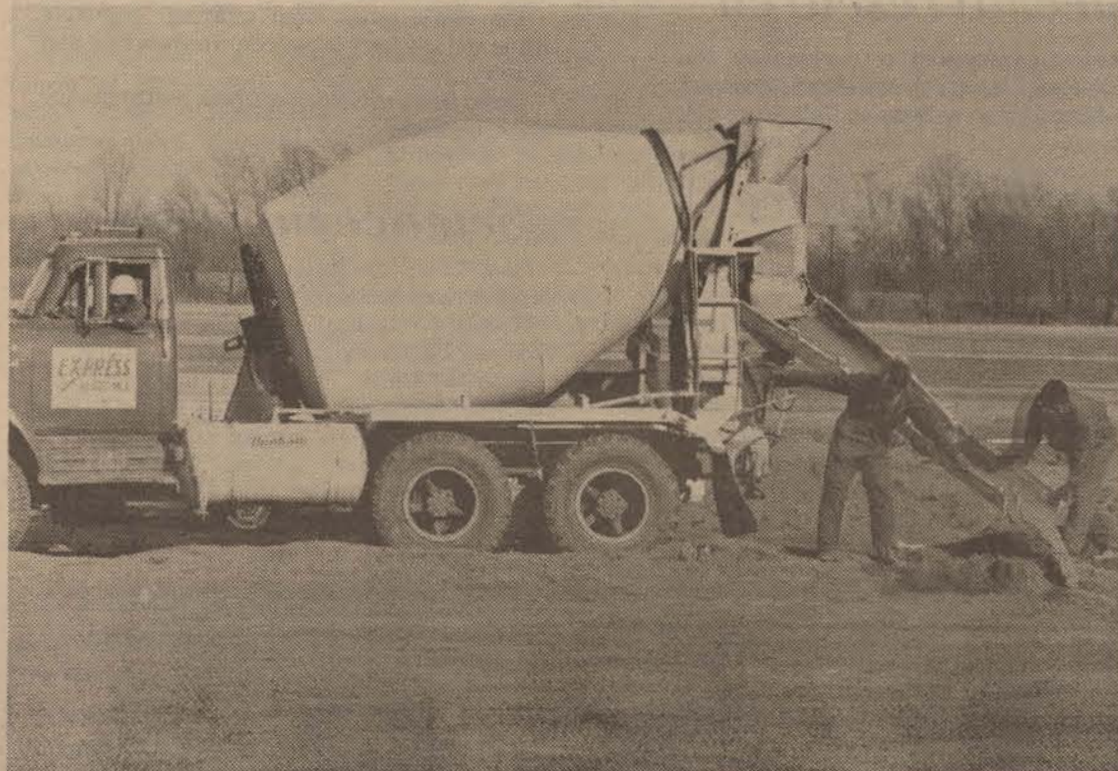
Approval of a motion to present Student Government Association (SGA) constitutional changes to the student body next month and a scholastic-disciplinary report by the president pro tem were among business conducted in Friday's SGA Senate meeting.

IN FEBRUARY the senate will present constitutional changes in a referendum vote to the student body. The changes will deal with senatorial and executive duties, election procedures and presidential succession. (Further details on the proposed changes will be examined in the Almagest when made available by the SGA prior to the voting.)

George Leritte, president pro tem, reported present senate members had scholastic standings of a 2.0 or above and that "the disciplinary attendance situation is okay, also." This was in reference to absences and the use of proxies this year by senators.

IN AN EXECUTIVE report Billy Lyons, SGA president, reminded senators that "office hours are part of your jobs." He also announced a meeting planned for last Tuesday with Dr. A. J. Howell, vice chancellor for Business Affairs, to discuss possible ways for the SGA to acquire a van for the various student activities.

IN OTHER business the senate approved the following senators nominated by Lyons: Carla Luke, senator-College of Education; Tim McCasland, senator-at-large; Pat Dowling, senator-at-large.



Construction
continues

Construction continues on the new LSUS parking lot which is scheduled for completion in April. The new lot will accommodate 407 cars and is located between the existing lots by Bronson Hall. (photo: Roger Herring)

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Campus Briefs

SAB elections

The Student Activities Board held vice presidential elections recently and the results were as follows: Joey Emig, sophomore history major was elected Vice President of Public Relations; Jim Burton, a junior majoring in Hospital Administration was named Vice President for Budget and Monique Kolonko, freshman communications major is Vice President of Recruitment and Leadership.

Student loans

Students who received a National Direct Student Loan, a Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grant and/or are on the College Work-Study program during the current school year need to re-apply for the 1976-77 school year. These students need to file a 1976-77 ACT Family Financial Statement form which is available in the Student Aid Office in Bronson Hall, room 148. Students are advised to review the FFS application with Edgar Chase, financial aid director, before mailing it to ACT. It is suggested that these applications be completed and ready to mail before April 1, 1976.

Basic Educational Opportunity Grant (BEOG) applications are also available in the Student Aid Office, Bronson Hall, room 148. All undergraduates working on their first degree are eligible to apply for a Basic Grant.

Decals

Decals for car registration have still not arrived according to Campus Police. Until they do, students will not be ticketed for parking violations.

Any questions about registration of cars should be directed to the office of Campus Security in Bronson Hall, room 146 or the Office of Student affairs in Bronson Hall, room 140.

Members of the LSUS debate team at the University of Central Arkansas this weekend for a tournament are Mike Monsour and Susan Smith in Senior Debate; Rhett Myers and Donald Write in Novice Debate; Myers and Wright in Extemporaneous Speaking; Monsour in TV Speaking; Myers and Monsour in Impromptu Speaking and Wright in Poetry Interpretation.

Meador attends

Patricia L. Meador, registrar of manuscripts and library archives, is attending an executive board meeting of the Society of Southwest Archivists yesterday and today in San Antonio, Tex.

In route to San Antonio, Meador visited the Federal Archives and Records Center in Fort Worth where she looked at rolls of microfilm on the history of Indians in this area. Some of the microfilm will be selected for use in the archives on this campus.

Political science club

There will be an organizational meeting to form a Political Science club from 12-1 p.m. Wednesday in Bronson Hall, room 108.

Artist exhibits

Artist and printmaker Ginny Gissell-Johnson will present a one-artist exhibit as the R. S. Barnwell Garden and Art Center beginning today and running through Feb. 16. The exhibit will include lithographs, drawings and paintings.

An opening reception will be held Feb. 1 from 2-5 p.m. and students will be given the opportunity to meet the artist.

Health science

Dr. Light, a guest speaker of the LSU Medical School will present a lecture on cardiopulmonary medicine at the next Health Sciences Club meeting. The meeting will be in the Science building, room 229 at 5 p.m. Feb. 3. Everyone is welcome.

Calendar

Friday, January 30

1, 7 and 9:30 p.m.—"Cool Hand Luke," SLA, rated PG. 7 p.m.—Beta Chi, business club party, Silver Pines Club House.

Monday, February 2

5 p.m.—Biology Club meeting, Science Building, room 229.

Tuesday, February 3

5 p.m.—Health Science Club meeting, Science Building, room 229.

Wednesday, February 4

12-1 p.m.—Political Science Club organizational meeting, Bronson Hall room 108.

Friday, February 6

1, 7 and 9:30 p.m.—"A Touch of Class," SLA, rated PG.

SAB movie

The SAB will present "Cool Hand Luke," in the Science Lecture Auditorium today at 1, 7 and 9:30 p.m. One ID will admit two. The movie is rated PG.

Special research

Any student interested in working for the Office of Special Research are asked to contact Director James Hytt in Bronson Hall, room 120.

Aluminum drive

Shreveport area citizens will continue to receive 15c per pound for aluminum cans and other clean household aluminum during February. Certain other types of clean aluminum may be redeemed at a lower price. On Mondays, February 9 and 23 from 8:30 a.m. to 12 noon, Reynolds mobile aluminum recycling unit will be at Burnett Distributor, 1025 Marshall St. to purchase the aluminum from the public. An all-aluminum can has no side or bottom seam and is non-magnetic. Many of them have the recyclable symbol stamped on the side.

Biology club

The Biology Club will hold its monthly business meeting Monday at 5 p.m. in the Science Building, room 229. All persons interested are invited to attend, meet club members, and learn about the club's activities. The agenda will include discussion of the spring trip, fund raising projects and university displays.

Academy of Science

Two LSUS psychology students will be presenting research papers at the Louisiana Academy of Sciences meeting, Feb. 5 and 6 at Southern University in Baton Rouge. Jerry Ann Ward will be presenting a paper entitled "A Descriptive Examination of Serum Folate Levels in Low SEC Status Hospital Patients".

Ed Kintzing will be reporting on "The Role of State Anxiety and Level of Field Dependence in the Acquisition of Analog and Digital EMG Feedback".

Both of these papers are co-authored by Dr. Robert L. Benefield, assistant professor of psychology.

Language careers

Students interested in foreign language career opportunities should go by the Department of Foreign Languages bulletin board and read the list of career opportunities available.

Copies of the list including where to write for more information, are available in the Foreign Language Office, Bronson Hall, room 258.

Tabor travels

John R. Tabor, director of Information Services, is attending the fourth annual Florida Suncoast Writers' Conference at the University of South Florida in St. Petersburg today and tomorrow.

The program will include workshops in article writing and photojournalism.

Library exhibit

A floor exhibit from the Southern Highlands Guild in Asheville, N.C. will be displayed in the LSUS Library starting Feb. 4.

The exhibit contains 100 handicrafts from artists in the Southern Appalachians and is valued at \$5,700.

The crafts range from weaving, vegetable dying and stitchery to pottery, woodworking and jewelry.

Crafts in the exhibition are both contemporary and traditional.

Science meeting

Four LSUS instructors will represent the Social Science Section of the Louisiana Academy of Science at its annual meeting Feb. 5, 6 and 7 at Southern University-Baton Rouge.

Norman Dolch, assistant professor of sociology, organized the meeting of the Social Science section and will serve as chairman.

Norman Provizer, assistant professor of political science, Ken Hinze and Alan Thompson, assistant professor of history will deliver papers at the meeting.

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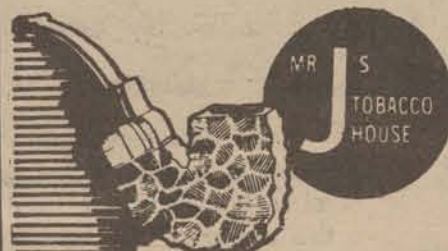
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Placement office schedule given

Interviews with local and national businesses are being offered on campus this semester for graduating seniors seeking employment.

Those interested may sign up in the Placement Office before the specified dates listed below, according to Phyllis Graham, director of placement.

Feb. 5—Fidelity Union Life
Feb. 6—South Central Bell
Feb. 9—Marine Corps
Feb. 25—Peace Corps
March 10—Selber Brothers
March 11, 12—Marine Corps
March 24, 25—Marine Corps
April 27—Bossier Parish School Board
April 30—Webster Parish School Board
May 3, 4, and 5—Marine Corps

Businesses listed below are offering open interview dates. Students may call to request an interview with them.

Morris and Dickson (Pharmaceutical Co.)
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Stuart Business Equipment
First National Bank
Field Enterprises
Aulds, Horne and White

Campus Personality

Cousins prefers sales work

by SANDY BELLAR
Contributing Writer

Marketing major, Jim Cousins, is sales manager for the selected Chemical and Equipment Company in Bossier City. At LSUS, he is the charter president of Pi Sigma Epsilon, a new fraternity with 30 members. Also he was a past member of Beta Chi Business Club and the business manager of the *Almagest*.

Prior to his academic career at LSUS, the senior went to University of New Orleans and Northwestern State University where he was the assistant editor and sports editor of the *Current Sauce*, the campus newspaper.

IN THE past, he has worked as a business mart director for an electronic manufacturing



Jimmy Cousins

firm. Other working experiences include employment as a sales representative for Xerox Corporation. Before his marriage, he served in the Army European Theater for three years.

Upon graduation in May, Jim will go into sales management. Most likely he will work for the company in which he is now employed.

The Cousins' home in Broadmoor Terrace will house a new arrival on or about April Fools day. His wife, Eve, is an instructor at the Northwestern School of Nursing. A six-year-old daughter completes the family.

Municipal seminar planned

by GREG GOODWIN
Contributing Writer

A 30-hour "seminar for Municipal and Parish Administrative Employees," will begin Feb. 12 in Bronson Hall at LSUS.

The seminar, consisting of 30 hours of intensive lectures and discussions, will meet weekly for ten weeks. Registration is free and each participant will be given outline and study guides for all topics covered. At the end of the seminar each participant will be presented a certificate by LSUS.

THE CLASSES will meet on Thursdays from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. in room 463 of Bronson Hall. Those interested in attending should fill out a registration card and mail it to LSUS Office of Conferences and Institutes or contact John Powell, director of conferences and institutes, at 865-71121, ext. 262. Classes will end April 15.

Dr. Vincent Marsala, dean of the College of General Studies, and Dr. Dalton Cloud, chairman of the Department of Communications will serve as co-directors of the project which is designed to improve the administrative, managerial, communicative, and human relations skills of middle management and supervisory city and parish employees of Northwest Louisiana. The seminar is funded under Title I of the Higher Education Act of 1965 through the Louisiana Board of Regents.

Those scheduled to lecture at the seminar are: Dr. Cloud; Dr. John L. Berton, chairman of the

Department of Business Administration; Dr. Frank J. Lower, assistant professor of communications; Dr. Norman Provizer, assistant professor of political science; and Jere M. Daye, II, secretary-treasurer of the City of Shreveport.

THE SESSIONS will begin on Feb. 12 with Daye's lecture on "Shreveport's Role in the Federal System."

The Seminar will end on April 15 with an "Overview, Summary, and Evaluation" by Dr. Cloud.

Students evaluate teachers through national standards

by KIM GARFIELD
Pop Scene Service

College students have always been vocal in their opinions, both good and bad, of their instructors. And while a handful of colleges have used student rating systems, some 250 to 300 schools have begun to ask students to officially rate their teachers through a specially designed test.

John A. Centra, research psychologist for the Educational Testing Center of Princeton, N.J., views the new system as an offshoot of consumerism. That is, students — as consumers of education — now can have their say about the quality of instruction they're receiving for their money.

"STUDENTS ARE the only ones who use the classroom on a regular basis," says Centra, designer of the Student Instructional Report (SIR), a systematic method of recording, scoring and interpreting students' reactions to their instructors.

"They're the only critical source of information as to what's going on behind those classroom doors. They can say how well a teacher is relating to them, whether they're being motivated in a particular subject area and a lot of other information necessary for good teaching."

Results of national studies show that not only do most teachers agree on SIR's usefulness, but they are also willing to accept the information for their own improvement.

The most significant changes are made by teachers who have "a more inflated view of themselves" than do their students. According to Centra, the ratings seem to bring them a little more down to earth.

ONE OF THE most heated controversies about SIR centers on its use in connection with salaries and promotions. While its main purpose is to help improve instruction, some teachers are reportedly choosing to use the results in support of their own quest for salary increases and tenure.

Generally speaking, a "good

teacher" is rated high because he or she is "well organized, is available to help explain difficult material and is enthusiastic about the subject."

By the same token, a "poor teacher" is considered to be disorganized, a poor communicator, and one who gives unfair exams and assignments.

Teacher personality is not emphasized on the rating sheets because it would be difficult to expect personality changes.

A comparison of male and female student response to teachers show that both sexes rate teachers the same. And "bright" and "less bright" students also agree in their ratings of teachers.

ONE STUDY, now in its final stages, compares teacher effectiveness by the number of years they've been teaching. Results, involving some 8,000 teachers, indicate that beginning teachers and those who've been teaching longer than 15 years receive the lowest ratings, while the highest scores are given to those teacher who've been working between three and 12 years.

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GREEK BEAT

by GINA GORDEY



Delta Sigma Phi

Jim Starkey has pledged Delta Sigma Phi, men's social fraternity, to increase the number of LSUS students pledged this semester to nine. These include John Bentley, Pat Dowling, Richard Dodson, Brad Hortman, Charles Kessler, Mike Norton, Mike Turner and Mike Wheeler.

The LSUS Colony will become Zeta Delta Chapter of Delta Sigma Phi tomorrow when it receives its charter from Lee Dueringer, National President, and Francis Wacker, Executive Director. The ceremonies and banquet will be at the Chez Vous Motor Inn on Monkhouse Drive.

Members of Delta Sigma Phi from LSU-Baton Rouge; Nicholls State University, Thibodeaux; Southern Methodist University, Dallas; and Stephen F. Austin University, Nacogdoches will participate in the formal ceremonies. All Delta Sigma Phi alumni residing in Shreveport and North Louisiana have been invited to the installation.

Zeta Tau Alpha

Eta Omega chapter of Zeta Tau Alpha recently elected the following officers for the coming year; Becky Hudsmith, president; Cathy Smith, first vice president; Vicki Ursery, secretary; Nancy Thomley, historian-reporter; Patti Akins, treasurer; Susan Sproull, membership; and Nancy Alexander, ritual chairman.

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Assistant editor speaks out

Don't blow it Shreveport

Take a look at the sports page of either Shreveport daily newspaper and what do you see? Stories about sporting events of national importance—from New York to Los Angeles. But never any closer to home than Dallas or New Orleans.

There are plenty of local events, of course, high school sports, Louisiana Downs and college basketball (even though Centenary College doesn't receive much national recognition because of it's NCAA probation) but, let's face it, Shreveport doesn't get its fair share of recognition in the sports world.

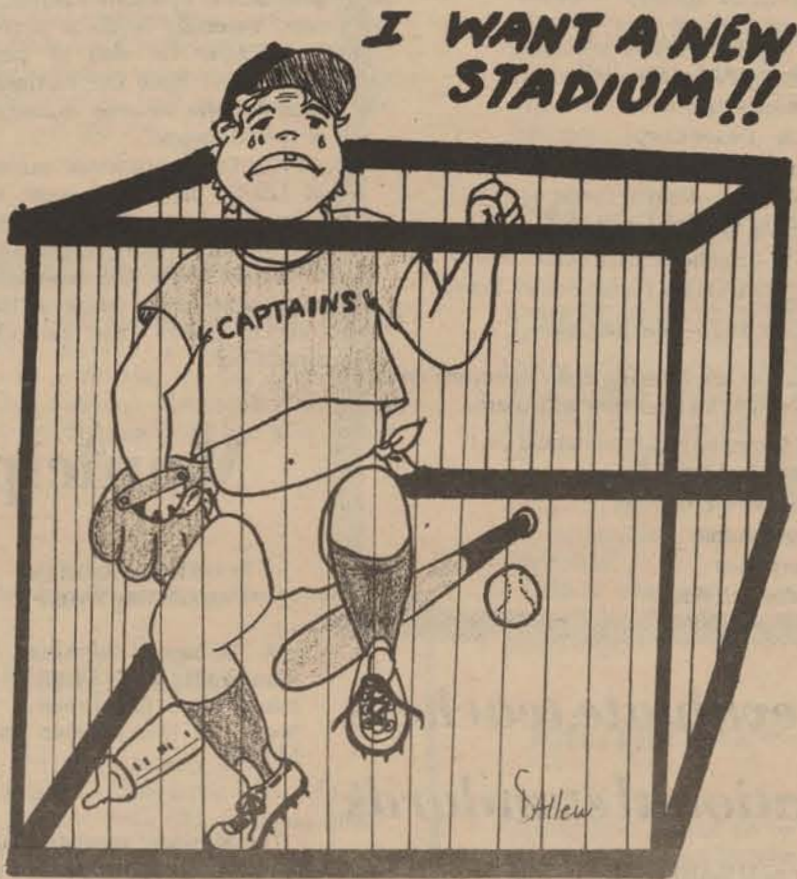
The late Shreveport Steamer was our only link to the national sports scene and every Shreveporter had to feel a little pride when the CBS Morning News did a story on their move to Louisiana. And most people must have felt a little sense of loss when the World Football League folded up.

Several days ago Shreveport almost lost the Captains baseball team but they were retrieved at the last minute by the promise of a new stadium and more fan support. At least we still have one professional team.

All of this activity has brought up the question of whether or not our city can support a professional team of any kind. All kinds of comments have been made on the subject. Shreveport has been called a hick town, too small to carry a team and it has also been said that Shreveporters just don't care enough to turn out to see a sports event. The latter statement is untrue because look how Shreveporters drive to Dallas to see the Cowboys, to New Orleans to see the Saints and to Baton Rouge to see LSU (although perhaps not as frequently last season as in past seasons.)

As far as Shreveport being too small, there might be more truth to this criticism. However it wouldn't be entirely impossible if people would really get interested in a team.

There are a lot of sports fans in Shreveport, even if they didn't turn out to support the Steamer. We have another chance with the Captains. Don't blow it Shreveport.



Letters to the Editor

SGA van

To the Editor

I was, to say the least, appalled to read in the Jan. 26 edition of the *Almagest*, that Bill Lyons, SGA President, had suggested to the members of the SGA that they consider the purchase of a van to help with student activities. The very idea is absurd, that on a campus the size of LSUS, this sort of thing could even be thought needed.

In the first place, Mr. Lyons, I would think that the cost of such an undertaking would be most discouraging. After spending three semesters at a school much larger than LSUS, I just do not see the need. If the SGA at Northeast in Monroe, which by the way, governs some ten thousand students, can operate as efficiently as it does without its own personal set of wheels, why then cannot LSUS follow suit with three thousand students?

If the SGA is bent on spending the student's money on such a fool-hardy luxury, then the matter ought to be researched thoroughly and then maybe even left up to the students, in the form of a campuswide referendum.

In closing, let me say to the Editor just one thing. If you let

this matter pass by, as so many have let similar matters escape them in the past, without exercising the power of your position to see that the students of LSUS are not made the patsies of a spendthrift SGA, you are certainly not doing your job. Speaking as a former editor of the *POW WOW* at Northeast, I think it would be the very least that you as Editor of the *Almagest* could do.

I strongly urge you and Mr. Lyons, as well as the entire SGA and the entire student body to think about this expenditure. Just ask yourselves why it is needed. Then try to come up with a rational answer.

Sonny McCoy

(Editor's reply: The *Almagest* will examine this issue when the proposal is finalized by the SGA.)

X-rated film

To the Editor:

Last Tuesday in the SLA the movie *De Sade* was shown. This being an X-rated movie it seemed to be a major breakthrough in the viewing fare for LSUS students. However, upon reading the article in the *Almagest* by Randy Griffith, I was amazed at the amount of ineptitude exhibited in the review and in the selection of the movie.

I was one of the "meager 20 students" in the SLA and no where did I see the virile Randy Griffith. Not even Judith Christ or Gene Shalit can review a movie without seeing it. If Mr. Griffith can, then I suggest he apply for a position on the *National Enquirer* or some other scandal sheet that doesn't need facts for its stories either.

The bumbling method in which this film was picked and the subsequent statements of the lack of knowledge as to the film's rating cast X-rated doubts on the ability of SAB president Preston Friedley and his movie committee's ability to decide what the LSUS students should see.

The majority of the viewers at the afternoon film festivals are students. So why not throw in some X-rated movies, many of which are very good. By showing these films on campus it would give many students the chance to see movies that would never play anywhere else in Shreveport. The X-rated movies would probably increase the attendance at the afternoon movies. It will also increase the number of complaints of "sex and perversion" on campus. Some of the complainers will also be viewers. For the watch and complain people I have one word—HYPOCRITE.

Jim Milligan

Policy on letters

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Not enough time to Oriental studies here

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Contributing Writer

We drive their cars, watch television sets made by them, and spend thousands of dollars per year eating their food. Divided among their varied countries is more than 40 per cent of the world's population. Yet LSUS has no courses directed to the study of Oriental culture and languages.

China which composes 25 per cent of the world's population, Japan which is the third most economically powerful nation in the world, and of course those countries of Indo-China in which we dumped millions of dollars and thousands of lives, all go unheeded at LSUS.

IT IS TRUE that the Social Sciences Department struggles to insert as much knowledge of the Orient as possible into their limited courses, but it is just not enough. There is not enough time devoted to it, and not enough concern by the students. But, after all, students do not design the curriculum.

Instead of concentrating on the important countries of the world—in a modern context—we are offered the study of European cultures and languages.

Spanish, for instance, which is just fine if you ever plan on visiting Mexico—but of what importance is Spain in the world of commerce?

THE STUDY of Great Britain

is another sterling example. The significance and power which was once England's is a long dead issue. It is widely known that if the micro-country of Kuwait should withdraw her money from the Bank of England overnight, England would be bankrupt by morning.

Nuclear-powered France—certainly one of Europe's most quickly developing nations—is but a little consequence when compared with the industrial might of Japan, or the coming power of resource rich, nuclear-capable China. If fact, not since Ho Chi Minh's ragtag army ran the French out of Indo-China, has France been of much consequence to the world.

YET, IN THE face of all this, LSUS offers no insight into either the Chinese or Japanese languages, and nearly no coverage of either their cultures or history.

The situation is so poor, in fact, that one cannot obtain a language proficiency test in Japanese from anywhere in the LSU system.

It is obvious that someone has dropped the ball, and the price which will be paid by the students is not merely a lost touchdown. It is much higher, as nearly one half of the world's people are left out of the LSU student's educational picture. A half that grows daily in power and importance.



by Jack Anderson
with Joe Spear

Washington report

Senate's lazy gadgeteer

WASHINGTON — Many Senators are privately worried that little effective legislation will be passed in 1976.

First, it is an election year. This will occupy a third of the members, who will be slipping home to stomp through their states. Second, it is the Bicentennial year. Many hours will be spent attending picnics, parades, and other patriotic events.

But another problem that the Senators never mention outside the cloakrooms is their own indolence.

Most Senators put in a grueling work day. But those who want to duck their duties can shut themselves behind thick oaken doors. Constituents can be held off indefinitely with stories of high-level meetings.

It's also against the unwritten code of the Senate for Senators to tattle on one another. So a Senator can get away with slacking off, unhindered by the Senate and unreported by the press.

One of the laziest Senators also happens to be one of the most likeable. He is Arizona's Republican Senator Barry Goldwater. He is honest and outspoken. This has made him the conservative conscience of the GOP.

But he doesn't like to work. He would rather spend his time tinkering with gadgets. He built his own TV set. He has loaded every car he ever owned with electronic gadgets. The AMX sports car he now drives, for example, is equipped with compass, wind meter and telephone — all personally installed by the Senator.

When he isn't tinkering with gadgets, Goldwater is usually fooling around with his ham radio set or flying off into the wild blue yonder. He prides himself on having flown every plane made in the United States.

But in the Senate, Goldwater neglects his home work, makes snap judgements and takes frequent naps.

In fairness, we should add that he speaks his mind, won't compromise on principle and has honest instincts.

Tribute For Terrorists: The Palestine Liberation Organization has been glorified by the United Nations. This has caused a hullabaloo in the backrooms of Washington.

For secret intelligence reports have linked the PLO with the notorious Black September

Group. This is a terrorist band which allegedly was responsible for such outrages as the massacre of Israeli Olympic stars in Munich and the murder of the American ambassador in Khartoum.

The Central Intelligence Agency, basing its claim in part on monitored telephone calls, reports that the PLO has issued secret terrorist orders to the Black September Group.

On the other hand, the State Department contends that the PLO is merely an umbrella organization, which covers many Palestinian factions but doesn't control them all. The State Department, therefore, does not hold the PLO directly responsible for the terrorism.

The PLO, whether it ordered the terrorist acts or not, has condoned them. More than once, the PLO leader Yassir Arafat, has also claimed credit for less reprehensible terrorism.

The effect has been to glorify terrorism. This has encouraged extremists, anarchists, criminals and psychotics around the world to call themselves guerrillas and commit crimes as a noble undertaking.

Afterward, they are often hailed as heroes rather than criminals. Only Israel and Holland are holding Arab terrorists in jail.

Some are fighting for the PLO in Lebanon. Most operate out of Libya, which furnishes them with arms. In effect, Libya has been using the terrorists to conduct guerrilla raids upon the western world.

Yet the United Nations, instead of condemning this international lawlessness, honors the terrorists.

Wyman's Woes: The Watergate special prosecutor's office is still trying to nail Louis Wyman. He's the New Hampshire Republican who lost his bid for the Senate after a near tie in 1974 and a re-run last year.

The question is whether he attempted to sell the ambassadorship to Luxembourg to Ruth Farkas for \$300,000.

Sources close to the investigation say the crucial incident occurred on a Florida golf course. Between holes, Wyman allegedly

remarked to Mrs. Farkas' husband, George, that the Luxembourg ambassadorship would cost \$300,000. Then Farkas allegedly agreed to contribute \$300,000 to Richard Nixon's 1972 campaign.

Wyman has flatly denied Farkas' version of the conversation. But assistant special prosecutor John Sale is trying to develop the case.

Gas Shortage?: The gas pipeline companies were recently granted an exemption from federal regulations to get natural gas to shortage areas. But according to a confidential congressional memo, the companies have made little effort to find gas supplies. In fact, they are still cutting back on deliveries to the consumers.

Investigators suspect the pipeline companies want to create an artificial shortage so they can force the deregulation of gas prices.

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In Theatre One production

Zindel play 'unforgettable'

by CHARLES R. HENSON
Special to the Almagest

A sophisticated, civilized play for sophisticated, civilized people, "And Miss Reardon Drinks A Little" (written by Paul Zindel and directed by Shelia Christenson) is a magnificent overture to human inconsistencies, bound to be a strong contender for this year's drama awards.

Though studded with superb performances, it is the structure of the play itself—passionate and compassionate—its lacerating force, its relentless drive, and corrosive wit that will make it one of the most memorable productions of this year's theatre season.

It grips the viewer and never lets him go, due to Mrs. Christenson's genius for getting the best out of actors and the most out of scripts.

WE SELDOM SEE so many extraordinarily brilliant performances in one play. Anne Gremillion as a strangely tender yet sado-masochistic mentally incapacitated school teacher, and Memory Lee Streun, in the title role, as her protecting sot of a sister make for a very congruous mixture of fine acting.

Christenson's restrained, yet forceful direction of Ceil Adams, "the other Reardon sister," is very natural and Geraldine Van Tiem renders her as a crum-

bling pinnacle of moral submissiveness.

Eleanor Cullick is absolutely smashing as the innocuous, scheming Fleur Stein. She has taken a seemingly minor role and raised it to the heights of one of the play's major performances.

Lastly, Bob Weimar, as her tortured lackey of a husband, who never uses the bathroom in their apartment, turns in a stellar performance.

DIRECTION AND acting give one a knowledge of complete biographies of the characters through bold strokes, subtle perception, bits of right-on-target dialogue, and small

gestures that spell out big clues. Every participant is stretched to his or her limits, which makes for breathtaking theatre.

It is not often that a play has such "meaty" roles and such superior actors to interpret them; such wonderful dialogue

and such superior actors to deliver it; such valid points and such superior actors to drive them home.

"And Miss Reardon Drinks a Little" will catch your heart on the barbed wire of its rough humanity; it will drain you of emotion only to replenish you with renewed hope by its powerful ending. A short, biting tragicomedy with a lot of surprises, it is an unforgettable example of what local theatre

can be, but so seldom it. Keep your eye out when drama award nominations are handed out, for "Reardon" is bound to be leading the field in the acting and production categories.

ADDITIONAL MENTION should be made of the talents of the fine technical crew. Jerry Benefiel's set was realistically reproduced, and the lighting by Jorji Jarzabek, an LSUS graduate, was most adequate and functional.

"Reardon" plays tonight and Saturday night. Theatre One is located at 3323 Line Ave. For reservations call the box office from 1 to 7 p.m., 869-1275. Tickets are \$3 for adults and \$1.50 for students.



Crowded art classes

Students in Chryl Savoy's Fine Arts class busily stroke their canvases. Crowded conditions in art classes are frequent this semester. (photo: Charlie Saller)

Soaps: education in the 'Snack Shack'

by MARGIE PARVINO
Special to the Almagest

Around noon each day, the area surrounding the television set in the "Snack Shack" becomes unusually quiet and still. Blank stares invade faces that before were animated. Silence replaces the chitter-chatter that usually pervades the room.

The students have come to experience a kind of education that can't be found anywhere else on campus—soap operas. This learning can't be found in books, because books aren't vivid enough, and the psychology department doesn't have sufficient pizzazz to make violence, humdrum and sex so palatable.

"SOAP OPERAS show you what to expect out of everyday life," said Mary Smith as she sat in front of the TV munching a hamburger. "They make you aware of things that could happen."

What has happened? "Well, the woman on the show just got her memory back—she lost it way back during the summer, but it has only been three weeks on TV," Mary said.

THIS SPEEDING UP of time is one of the major attractions that the soap operas hold. Students can view all of the joys and mistakes of an entire life

span all within the period of a few months.

The attitude of many people toward soap operas is that things like that don't really happen to people. "Pshw, lives

don't really get to be that complicated," contended one student, but apparently there are those who believe that the shows are true to life.

And if one can believe that the shows have some veracity, he can definitely benefit psychologically from them, said another "Shack viewer." "It makes me think that other people have worse lives than I do."

SOME OF THOSE who cannot believe that the programs are true to life watch them for sheer suspense. "You already know what is going to happen anyway, but you watch it just to be sure it happens that way," one person explained.

Most of the actors in the shows portray doctors and lawyers, and if these portrayals are correct one wonders how educated people get themselves into such ridiculous fixes.

And that is the one major consolation that Velma Lewis gains from watching the shows: "People with money are just as stupid as people without it."

AS THE SHOW draws to an end for the day, the vacant stares vanish and the nail biting stops. The noise level in the "Shack" begins to pick up again, and things return to normal—at least until tomorrow at noon when a hush sweeps the room and everyone wonders, "Will Mike find out that his father is actually his uncle and his mother has been working as a call girl since her husband was arrested for knocking over a bank whose president was a member of an organized crime group which may or may not have killed his grandfather in retaliation and may strike again as soon as....."

Early morning job: strain for students

by JACKYE MOORE
Contributing Writer

Some people will do anything for money. But how many will start their day at 5 a.m., sorting brown paper boxes? Several LSUS students begin their days lifting and pulling and pushing hundreds of packages. These students are "preloaders" for United Parcel Service (UPS). Actually, they load trucks.

UPS, a nation-wide delivery service, has six LSUS students on its local early morning sort crew. They are among some twenty preloader who load the trucks before the drivers are sent out to deliver their routes.

These preloaders begin working at 5 a.m. and finish any time between 8 and 8:45 a.m. The hours are rough, but the pay, \$4.65 an hour, makes it worth their time.

AFTER WORK, these students go on to class, where all attend full-time. This schedule can prove to be quite a strain, as student Hal Gatti explained.

The tall, brown-haired senior, with a bristly mustache and mischievous grin, said working at UPS caused him to change his education plans. "I decided to change my major to keep working," Gatti said. The 22-year-old has been at UPS for over a year.

Gatti has had to work his way

through school, and UPS was the best job he could find. But, because of the uncertain quitting time, he has been forced to schedule classes after 10 a.m.

THIS HAS limited his class choices, since some classes are offered only at certain times each semester. He felt the chance of getting the last few necessary courses needed for his spring graduation was just too risky. "I compromised my Political Science degree and desire to work by changing my major to General Studies," said Gatti.

Gatti had to drop three hours last semester, when he found that the necessary reading for 18 hours of class kept being interrupted by sleep.

The early morning hours and full-time schooling are a strain on the student preloader, but the money evidently makes it worth their time. Maybe loading trucks at 5 a.m. isn't such a bad way to begin your day, after all.

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Highland House offers counseling, rehabilitation for drug users

by SANDY BELLAR
Special to the Almagest



Highland House stands at the corner of Jordan and Highland streets. A rehabilitation center established by CODAC, it offers free counseling and recreation for those fighting drug abuse.

Feature by Sandy Bellar

Photos by Charlie Sailer

Highland House, a rehabilitation center established by the Caddo-Bossier Community Organization for Drug Abuse Control (CODAC), provides free counseling services to individuals who strive to end their life of drug dependency. A United Way funded program, located at 501 Jordan St., presently under Executive Director Dr. Peter T. Pearson, CODAC deals with the area's drug problem in three operations.

Shire House, open 24-hours-a-day under Medical Director Dr. Paul D. Ware, acts as a crisis intervention center. Adequately equipped to handle emergencies, the 13-room house was the first phase of the CODAC program put in force. Highland House, the second phase, provides counseling and long-range rehabilitation. Operation Dope Stop is for education of school-age children and the preventative part of CODAC.

ADDITIONALLY, DR. PEARSON, who received a Master's Degree from Indiana State and a Ph.D in Counseling and Psychology from the University of Southern Mississippi, said that all the counselors are highly qualified.

"Six counselors with counseling or psychology degrees are available at Highland House from 7:30 a.m. to 9 p.m.; there is always a full-time member on duty," he added.

Those seeking help are referrals from Shire House, teachers, probation officers, ministers, doctors and guidance counselors. As the only requirement for the free services is some drug usage, the facility serves a variety of people, Dr. Pearson said. In addition, Juvenile Probation Officers are sending numerous cases of young people whose family resources cannot take the burden of individual or group therapy in private office sessions. Also, with the center available, counseling which is mandatory in some court cases as a term of the probation sentence, can be easily implemented.

CURRENTLY, CLIENTS MAKE up five therapeutic groups, of which three are led by Dr. Pearson and two held by Dr. Billy W. Floyd. Counselor Terry Davis works with the groups, as well as conducting 40-minute private sessions.

"Approximately 85 people receive free counseling in a week with their average age between 16 and 23. We have had all ages come in for treatment including a pair of grandparents addicted to heroin since age 13," Pearson added.

WORKERS HELP LOCATE jobs, do psychological testing and vocational counseling. Also, tutoring is provided and workshops in crafts and music are held. Furthermore, those under treatment can relax and play pool or cards during a supervised recreation period from 5 p.m. to 9 p.m. daily. At this time leisure rap-sessions result in friendships and lead to personal growth.

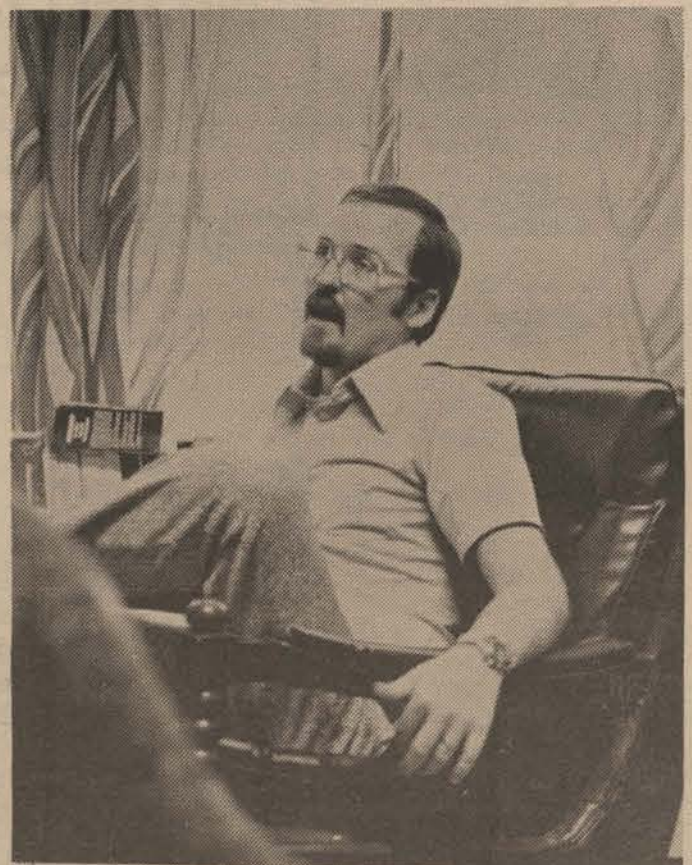
Operation Dope Stop sends a team of counselors into the public schools to show the children that "Drugs are not the in thing." More than 1500 high school teen counselors are trained to make educational presentations to approximately 50,000 students in a drive toward drug eradication in the Shreveport area.

WHAT MAKES A PERSON receive maximum benefits from the counseling at the Highland House?

"When enough pressure is put on a drug user by loss of friends and jobs, he will decide that drugs are not worth it. Only then will he make an effort to change. For added incentive we sometimes charge a nominal fee of 50c and upon reaching a goal he has set for himself the money is returned," concluded Dr. Pearson.



Luanne W. Thomason has been the secretary since the center opened in September 1971. This scene greets clients and visitors in the entry of Highland House.



Dr. Pete Pearson is shown with a client in his Highland House office. The free counseling is available for those with a drug problem.



In IM action

Deviates squeak by KA

by SANDY MCINTYRE

Larry Ayers, scoring 29 of a losing score of 33 points, was not enough to take KA to a victory in the first intramural basketball game Monday night at Ft.

Humbug Confederate Memorial gym. KA lost to Standard Deviates 39-33.

In the opening two minutes of the game, Ayers pumped in 6 points to become a one-man team in scoring. Soon after

hitting two consecutive 20 foot jumpers in the second half, shouts of "throw it to Ayers" and "he's open" were coming from the KA bench.

SCORING 2 points each for KA were John Meier and Raymond Camus.

Danny Walker was high scorer for the winning Deviates with 10 points followed by John Tabor scoring 6.

Standard Deviates take on Zig Zag Monday night in the Humbug gym at 5:45 and KA plays the Misfits at 6:45.

New floor planned for Ft. Humbug Gym

by SANDY MCINTYRE

If things go as planned, Louisiana State University at Shreveport Intramural sports participants may be playing on a new gym floor within six weeks, according to Capt. William Rutledge of Ft. Humbug Confederate Memorial.

Contract bids are now being taken and work is scheduled to begin when a bid is accepted, Capt. Rutledge said.

New lighting was installed in the gym in late December of 1975 and Capt. Rutledge said the total cost of the lights and floor will run close to \$4,000.

Some sections of the present floor are still in good shape and will be refinished, he said. Sections that are beyond repair will be pulled up and new flooring will be laid.

The exact completion date has not been set, but when the new floor is completed, "it will be like a whole new floor," Capt. Rutledge said.

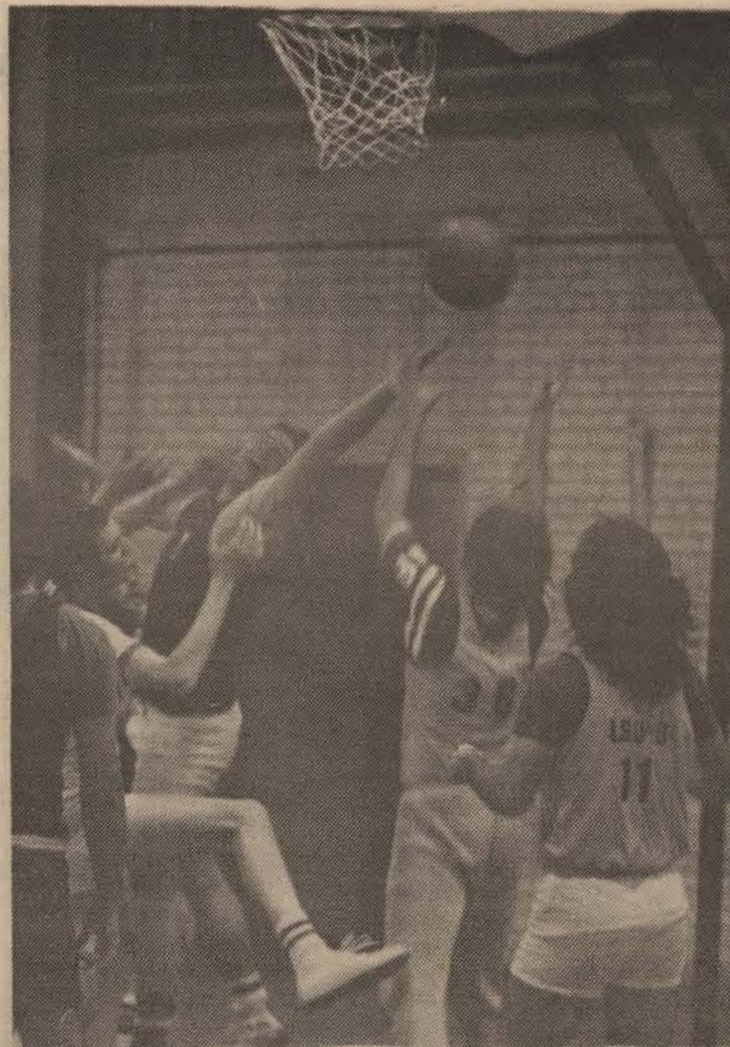
IT WAS A slim victory for Misfits in closing minutes of the second game against Zig Zag with a score of 38-36. The Misfits led throughout the game with Zig Zag tightening the margin as time ran out.

High scores for the Misfits was Tom Brown scoring 9. Sonny Ward led Zig Zag in scoring with 16.

GREENWAY GANG won out over DOM in the third game 49-42 with Doug Baldelli scoring 16 for the Gang. Bob Moiles was high scorer for DOM with 12.

In the final game, Welch Independent bombed Mac's Pac, Ltd. by a score of 64-39. Mike Franz led Welch Ind. in scoring with 18.

Welch Ind. takes on Greenway at 7:45 and DOM plays Mac's Pac, Ltd. at 8:45 in the Humbug gym.



I've got it!

Members of Kappa Alpha fraternity and the Standard Deviates fight for a rebound in Monday night's intramural basketball action. The Deviates won the contest 39-33. (photo: Charlie Sailer)

Intramural scores

Standard Deviates-39	KA-33
Zig Zag-38	Misfits-36
Greenway-49	DOM-42
Welch Ind.-64	Mac's Pac, Ltd.-39

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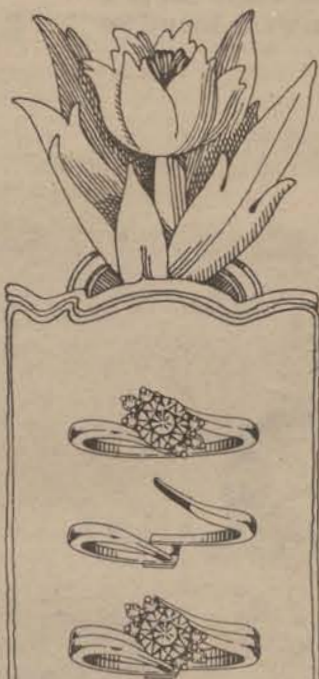
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